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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO FOURTH OF JULY MESSAGE TO THE  
PRESIDENT FROM LAO PRESIDENT SOUPHANOUVONG

1. FOLLOWING IS INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF MESSAGE IN FRENCH  
RECEIVED JULY 4 BY COMMERCIAL CABLE FROM LAO PRESIDENT  
SOUPHANOUVONG ADDRESSED TO PRESIDENT CARTER:

ON THE OCCASION OF THE NATIONAL DAY OF THE UNITED STATES  
OF AMERICA THE FOURTH OF JULY, IN THE NAME OF THE  
MULTINATIONAL LAO PEOPLE AND IN MY OWN NAME I HAVE THE  
HONOR TO ADDRESS TO YOU MY CONGRATULATIONS AND TO WISH TO  
THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HAPPINESS AND  
PROGRESS. WITH MY HIGH CONSIDERATION.

2. FOLLOWING RESPONSE FROM PRESIDENT CARTER SHOULD BE  
DELIVERED TO PRESIDENT SOUPHANOUVONG:

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BEGIN TEXT: ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, I WISH TO  
THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND MESSAGE AS WE CELEBRATE THE  
ANNIVERSARY OF OUR INDEPENDENCE. WE VERY MUCH APPRECIATE  
YOUR THOUGHTFUL EXPRESSION OF GOOD WISHES. SINCERELY,  
JIMMY CARTER. END TEXT.

3. NO RELEASE INTENDED, BUT NO OBJECTION IF RECIPIENT

WISHES TO DO SO.  
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